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Dear Prayer Partners,

In the midst of all the perilous times that surround us we must take time to be grateful. Thankfulness comes up 71 times in the New Testament. In I Thessalonians 5:18 we are instructed, **"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."** The verse tells us to be thankful ***"IN"*** every thing and not ***"FOR"*** every thing. Job could give thanks even after losing all his possessions and even his children. Job knew even though Romans 8:28 had not yet been written, "...that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose."

We all have an opportunity to show our thankfulness to God by carrying out His command to **"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."** It is the Lord who gives us the strength to serve, to give, and to work. When we obey the Lord with a spirit of gratefulness, our load becomes lighter, and the Lord opens the way for us to share the Good News of salvation. Thankfulness is a gift from God because it is impossible to be discontented and thankful at the same time. The people of the world all enjoy His sunshine or rain, His provision of food, clothing, and shelter, but many still have not heard the good news of salvation.

I am grateful that at my age I still have the opportunity to serve the Lord here at home and in Brasil. The Lord has opened the door for me to spend an average of 17 hours a week via the internet to serve Him by teaching young pastors and Christians. God has blessed me with good health and always supplies the means whereby I can serve Him.

Thank you for the part you have in your prayers and finances to help me as I serve our Lord. Let the people of God sing His praises in the morning, afternoon, and evening. May we never grow tired of being grateful. Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

*Unworthily His,
Wendell Hiers*

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